



Atty. Dkt. No. 086531-0138

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Tomohisa ARAI et al.  
Title: CUTTER COMPOSED OF NI-CR ALLOY  
Appl. No.: 10/514,196  
International Filing Date: 5/14/2003  
371(c) Date: 11/12/2004  
Examiner: Tima Michele McGuthry Banks  
Art Unit: 1793  
Confirmation Number: 4571

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**TRANSMITTAL**

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. § 141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. § 145 or § 146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114: (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

[ ] Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on \_\_\_\_.

- ☐ Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on \_\_\_ but not considered.
- ☐ Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed on \_\_\_.
- ☐ Other \_\_\_.
- b. Enclosed are:
- ☒ Amendment/Reply.
- ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☐ Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of \_\_\_ listed reference(s).
- ☐ Other .

Miscellaneous:

- ☒ Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of 3 months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

|                                                      | Claims as Amended | Previously Paid For | Extra Claims Present | Rate       | Fee Totals |
|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------|------------|------------|
| RCE Fee 1.17(e):                                     |                   |                     |                      | \$810.00   | = \$810.00 |
| Total Claims:                                        | 1                 | - 20                | = 0                  | x \$52.00  | = \$0.00   |
| Independents                                         | 1                 | - 6                 | = 0                  | x \$220.00 | = \$0.00   |
| First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims: |                   |                     |                      | + \$390.00 | = \$0.00   |
| CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:                                    |                   |                     |                      |            | = \$810.00 |

☐ Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

|                                     |                                                           |            |   |          |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------|---|----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Extension for response filed within the first month:      | \$130.00   | 0 | \$0.00   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Extension for response filed within the second month:     | \$490.00   |   | \$0.00   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Extension for response filed within the third month:      | \$1,110.00 |   | \$0.00   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Extension for response filed within the fourth month:     | \$1,730.00 |   | \$0.00   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Extension for response filed within the fifth month:      | \$2,350.00 |   | \$0.00   |
|                                     | EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:                                   |            |   | \$0.00   |
|                                     | EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID: -                             |            |   | \$0.00   |
|                                     | EXTENSION FEE TOTAL                                       |            |   | \$0.00   |
|                                     | CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:                           |            |   | \$810.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):            |            |   | \$0.00   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) |            |   | \$130.00 |
|                                     | TOTAL FEE:                                                |            |   | \$940.00 |


A credit card payment form in the amount of \$940.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date 7/23/09

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